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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Further to the receipt of the IPER in the International application corresponding to the present application, kindly amend the claims as follows, prior to examination:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-20 and add the following new claims:

--23. Apparatus for controlling mobile communication services in a cellular system in which mobile stations communicate to a network via cellular system base stations, comprising:

at least one front end device ⁽¹⁰¹⁾ separate from a base station and installed within or nearby a predefined area, ^(113, 114) said front end device being configured to monitor exchange of messages between mobile stations and cellular system base stations; ^(102, 103) ^(104, 105)

position determining ⁽¹¹⁷⁾ apparatus that determines the position of mobile stations responsive at least to the monitored exchanges; and

a management system ⁽¹⁰¹⁾ containing database ⁽¹²¹⁾ of subscriber profiles and configured to control enabled services to subscribers depending upon locations of subscribers with respect to said predefined area.

24. Apparatus according to claim 23 wherein the predetermined area is an area closed by walls which at least partially absorb radio waves utilized for exchange of said messages.